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UNION REPUBLICAN THREAT

Last week after the announcement had been made that William Michael Byrne had been selected as United States District Attorney, and before the appointment had been announced, J. Edward Addicks, the head and front and personel of the Union Republican Party, sent to the President the following telegram:

WILLIAM McKINLEY,
President of the United States.

SIR:—"The Delaware newspapers publish (it is stated by authority) that William Michael Byrne will be appointed United States District Attorney for Delaware this week. This would be against the recommendation of Delaware's only Congressman. This action of your subordinates, contrary to all precedents, means the loss of Delaware to the Republican party at the next Presidental election, and the election at that time of Democratic Presidential electors, two Democratic United States Senators and a Democratic Congressman. Is it not true that the recognition of the bolting minority faction of the Republicans of Delaware should cease?"

Mr. Byrne has been appointed. Will the Union Republicans as a party carry out the Addicks threat and elect Democratic electors? Will they become responsible for two Democratic United States Senators instead of one, Mr. Kenney? That is the message to the President. Will they send to Congress a Democrat in the place of Mr. Hoffecker? What says the Smyrna "Times" to this threat from Addicks? We expect the "Times" to answer. We have no doubt that the threat will be carried out by the Addicks Party, the fellows paid to run the machine, unless Addicks changes his mind. Those who saw him handle the convention in Dover in May, 1896, by the aid of his free-train hoodlum from Wilmington, cannot doubt his intentions. Union Republicans, what do you think?

How far and how long will Delaware Republicans follow this man who does not hesitate to offer insult to the President of the United States? His offences against the party in Delaware are enough to damn any decent citizen. We believe if the rank and file of Republicans in Delaware knew the truth about Addicks and his policy towards the party in the State they would turn their backs upon him, spurning every offer from him and his Paid agents. The officials of the party should put these truths before the people in some permanent and attractive form. This is a suggestion worthy of consideration.

But once more we ask thoughtful and well-informed Republicans, how much longer worship ye at the shrine of the golden calf? Bah!

EVERY EVENING'S OTHER MATE

Our Smyrna brother says: "The Call will do its Middletown contemporary the justice to say that it shows some disposition to argue the financial question if it knew anything to say." He then proceeds to use over a column of his valuable space to answer the TRANSCRIPT'S nothing to say, but fails to quote a single line or to answer directly a single thought which is the more noticeable when it is remembered we quoted last week his entire article of a column, answering directly item by item. There is no fastening these silver fellows down to facts. The "Call" asserts there is no prosperity in the country to-day, notwithstanding the fact that business was never so brisk in all the history of the country. He neglects to name a "gold bureau" distributing literature though challenged to do so. He asserts again, however, with a "darn it" for "the stupidity of the people," that the bureaus exist. Hear his braying as the "Every Evening" calls it:

"The every day working people have got to learn that every stroke of labor which a man performs is valued and measured by its pro rata share of the circulating money of the country. Darn it, a man gets tired saying this same thing over and over. The people ought to have some sense. The people seem to imagine that God in his goodness fixes the amount of our money and sends it down as the rain from Heaven. They seem to imagine that the money sharks and gamblers are philanthropists, and their sound money literature tract publications. They seem to think that men of wealth are too good to enhance the value of their wealth three or four fold by contracting the currency of the public. Well it is a hard fight. It is might against right. We could stand the rich very well. They are talking up their pocket books. But now and then we see a poor misguided devil, poorer than old Lazarus was when he died, higgling and haggling over the money question. He has heard some gold bug say something and hasn't the sense to see through it. But he ought to smell something if he is still paying war rate interest on some debt. There may be some excuse for this indecision however. Over all this land day and night twelve months in the year the mail bags are stiff with free books and pamplets to the poor, confusing him on the money question. The rich put their money down as free as dirt to pay for this stuff. Nothing like it was ever seen in the world before. It is the most abominable and damnable resort ever dignified with the name of politics."

What nonsense! Where are the men who are daily, weekly or monthly receiving this literature? Name a score of them. It should be easy if the Call's assertions are true. Mark it; they never will be named. Name one of those "gold bureaus." "Can't do it, don't cher know." We want only facts. Let the truth assert itself.

Last week we referred to an interview with Senator Gorman which was crowded out of that issue. It appears to-day and answers fully the "Call's" assertion that the country has no prosperity because the "Call's" vague idea of per capita circulation of money does not appear to be met. It does not know what the circulation should be except it should be inflated. The people remember the days of inflation and want no more of it.

EX-SENATOR GORMAN ON PARTY POLITICS

In an interview published in the New York World, ex-Senator Gorman said:

"Silver to-day attracts less attention than imperialism. In every campaign there is one issue which towers in importance above all others. Party platforms invariably touch upon many subjects, but history has shown that some one plank always rises supreme."

CAMPAIGN OF '84

"In the campaign of 1884, when I was chairman of the National Committee, we talked about many questions in the platform; but the principal battle cry was 'Turn the rascals out!' and 'Open the books of the Treasury.' On this issue we won a brilliant victory."

What was the result of the examination of the books, after 24 years of the most marked advancement of any country under the sun, from the great and immortal Lincoln to the defeat of the great and eloquent Blaine by Tammany methods in New York City? What did the books show? A loss of one cent! That was all. Is it a matter of surprise that honest Republicans are proud of their party, its history, its achievements? Thank you, Mr. Gorman, for the testimony that the Republicans were turned out in '84 upon a false issue. There were no "rascals."

CAMPAIGN OF '88

"In 1888 the tarriff was the issue, taking a place of importance above everything else."

And the Republicans won. The country had never known a cleaner, a more prosperous administration. The ablest state papers ever issued from the White House came from the pen of Gen. Harrison. The Homestead Riots and other false issues again elected Cleveland in the

CAMPAIGN OF '92

"In 1892 the force bill, reduction of the tariff and civil service reform were the issues."

The "force bill" was made a sectional issue. It was right as it was intended for the north and south alike, but a few Quays turned party traitors for selfish reasons.

The McKinley tarriff had not been fairly tested and the cry against it was wrong since it nominated and elected its author to the presidency four years later. Cleveland civil service has always been a fraud. After turning Republicans out and putting Democrats in the offices he extended the civil service—which was always partisan service.

FOUR YEARS OF DISTRESS

Those years of Cleveland's Administration with the Democrats controlling Congress were years of poverty and distress, due to the election of Cleveland and his Congress. During his first administration Republicans held the balance of power, hence there was no lack of "confidence."

CAMPAIGN OF '96

"Four years later the money question—silver or gold—attracted the greatest attention. If a public speaker desired the ear of his audience he felt constrained to talk on this question. If he discoursed on the Nicaragua Canal, free Cuba or anything apart from the money question, his audience was listless, inattentive and bored."

And Republicanism won, standing by its principles; Democracy was defeated, having deserted its party principles of the past years. Thousands of Democrats voted for McKinley and they have rejoiced therefor ever since. They doubly rejoiced when war with Spain was declared.

AN HONEST TRIBUTE

"Just now it is not possible to get the public ear on any question outside of our own immediate borders. The reason for this? Simple enough. To-day our people are enjoying to a marked extent prosperity which they have not known for many years. Not since the Baring failure has there been as much prosperity in the land as during the past year."

We thank you, Senator Gorman, for this acknowledgment to the Protective Policy of the Republican Party. We believe the prosperity of to-day in a great measure due to Protection. Will the picayune editors of some of Delaware's papers note Senator Gorman's opinion on prosperity.

CAMPAIGN OF 1900

"The questions of militarism and of restricting organized capital from its encrouchments on the public will be the prominent issues in the next contest!"

"My deliberate judgment is that the battle against that class of trusts which obtain by legislation undue power to restrain trade will be the overpowering issue.

"At this moment no one can foretell with accuracy the prime issue in the next campaign. The Democratic party will undoubtedly oppose, as it has always opposed, militarism. Imperialism and militarism are twin issues, and the one cannot be brought under the glare of publicity without being linked with the other."

The TRANSCRIPT will not attempt a guess at the Democratic campaign cry next year. We believe, however, that the people will re-elect President McKinley, upholding his policy during the war forced upon him and the country by the men now whining, "Militarism!" "imperialism!"

As to "trusts" the Democracy of Delaware will have to get out of the business or the National Democrats may read them out. But a Republican Congress can and will deal with "trusts" so far as lies within its power. It is but incorporated capital and has rights under the law. It is a nice question, and Democracy never solved one so difficult, so intricate. We shall see what a Republican Congress can do.

Again the TRANSCRIPT thanks Senator Gorman for his tribute to the accomplishments of the G. O. P., and for the following patriotic sentiment:

"Having gone into this troublesome dispute, however, there is but one thing to do—continue the fighting. 'All the men and all the money necessary to bring the war to a close' should be the motto of every true-spirited American. It is too late now to withdraw. It would be a confession of our inability to cope with these barbarians and to whip them into subjection—it would be ignominious—for the American forces to back out of the Philippines at this time.

"My advice to the Administration is to give Otis all the men he may need and to instruct him to force fighting until some sort of a solution of the problem is evolved."

WHO ELECTED KENNEY?

The editor of the Middletown TRANSCRIPT says the Union Republicans are responsible for the election of Kenney to the Senate of the United States. Leaving out of the question the rare courage of a very sick man in making such a statement, the historical truth is that the Democrats in a Joint Assembly composed of 25 Democrats and of 5 Republicans, one of which was a Union Republican, elected Kenney Senator, and that on no ballot did the Union Republican member vote for any one other than J. Edward Addicks.—Union Republican.

It takes no rare courage for a man sick or well to tell the truth when the truth is the most natural to tell.

The Union Republicans are responsible for the election of Kenney to the Senate of the United States--

1st--By the conspiracy of four Union Republicans--Hanby, Moore, Ball and Robbins--May 9th, 1895, with the Democrats of the General Assembly to prevent the majority of the Republicans in that legislature from electing a Senator.

2d--by the action of the Union Republicans in May, 1896, in the Dover Convention ignoring all party precedents and district caucuses, and gatheriug in a room at the dictation of J. Edward Addicks where said Addicks himself stood at the door calling "all Addicks men come in here" and then and there forming a one man party for the benefit of one man, surrendering party principles and personal rights.

That is how the Union Republicans are responsible for Mr. Kenney's election. That is why there were 25 Democrats in the Assembly of 1897. Dr. Layton knows it, and he will not quote the few words in which we have stated the facts, a hundred words or more, in the smallest type in his office, and deny it. He dare not enlighten his readers by quoting our truthful statements for fear the truth might dawn on them. He is bold but not bold enough for that. Upon those truths known to hundreds of Republicans as eye witnesses of the facts we rest our indisputable charge that Mr. Kenney owes his election to the fact that

UNION REPUBLICANS REFUSED TO RECOGNIZE MAJORITY RULE.

It might be well for the "State Sentinel" to quote our reasons for the declaration that the Union Republicans are responsible for Mr. Kenney's being in the United States Senate and to explain the inconsistency of the facts connected therewith with its assertion made last Saturday that "at all times, as in the past, it (U. R. party) will insist on the recognition and endorsement of majority rule." The Milford "Chronicle" and Smyrna "Times" might also very appropriately try their hands at explaining the first bolt against majority rule in the Republican Party of Delaware, said bolt having brought to the party all the disappointments, defeats and disaster in every election since. Explain, my brother editor, that bolt from majority rule.

COUNTY FINANCES

"Some local Republican papers are telling us that if the finances of old Sussex are bad they are not worse than they were under Democratic management. This is probably not true, but if true, not pertinent to the issue. (1).—The Republicans for years had promised the people that they would, if entrusted with the duty, improve matters. (2).—The Democratic party will always do the public business as cheaply as it can be done well. Its record in Delaware is a line of such economy that wherever there is a public debt there is a public benefit to show for it. (3).—At least the internal improvements in our county have been general and continuous. Gigantic strides have been made to stone culverts and iron bridges"—Smyrna Call.

County finances should be removed from politics. Tax payers are foolishly partisan when they yield the management of county finances to politicians. Experience should have taught them better long ago. (1).—As to the relative condition of the finances of Sussex county under Democratic and Union Republican rule we are not posted. We do know, however, that when the Sussex Levy Court was wholly Democratic and Robert Albury, of Georgetown, was its president, county orders were at a fearful discount, 25 and even 50 per cent. on small orders, and Mr. Albury purchased these orders at discount and by virtue of his position the county collectors were called upon to redeem them without delay. Other people could wait. Can matters be worse now?

(2).—It is true that Republicans then and since promised a better condition of affairs if they were put in control. Have they done it? We ask the "Sussex Republican" and the "Union Republican" for a statement of facts. (a).—When have Republicans been in the majority in the Sussex Levy Court? (b).—What was the county debt at the beginning and also at the ending of those periods? (c).—How did the tax rate compare with the rate under the Democrats? We assert that because of the repated pledges of Republicans to the people for reform in county finances if they have failed to keep those pledges they deserve to be turned down and out. Tax payers would be sensible to elect a bi-partisan Levy Court of fair and capable men.

At every claim of Democratic economy in municipal, county or State affairs we smile. We know how false it is. The people have paid heavy taxes in this State for years with absolutely nothing to show for it. Not until Republicans shared the responsibility was there a single public State institution and none in the counties. This is a sad truth. How many iron bridges has Kent county, and also stone culverts? When erected? Can the "Call" name a dozen? We fear not. How foolish then the political twaddle for effect upon those "stupid people" elsewhere spoken of by the "Call."

A LONG-EARED PAIR

THE CALL will never be made a fool and ass of by anybody,—SMYRNA CALL.

No indeed. THE CALL renders it unnecessary for anybody to make the attempt.

They know more about asses up there than we know. The finest jackass in the State has a stall in the Every Evening building.—Smyrna Call.

THE amount of money used in Queen AnneDemocratic primaries is variously estimated at from fifteen to twenty thousand dollars. The boys who take a "little present" for their vote, worked the situation for all it was worth. One fellow sold to both sides, failed to vote and had all of his money taken away and divided among the two parties to the transaction, while another sold to one side, voted for the other candidate and was deprived of his spoils. Both Saturday and Tuesday were animated days in Queen Anne County, but his name is "George."—Chestertown Transcript.

MY MARYLAND.

Chestertown is to have a public fountain.

Centreville is using a new artesian well, which is over 500 feet deep. The water is said to be excellent.

On Thursday morning of last week the post office at Princess Anne was entered and robbed of stamps to the amount of $470.90. About 3 o'clock that morning Miss Brittingham, daughter of the cashier of the Savings Bank of Somerset County, was aroused by an explosion, and going to her window heard hammering sounds in the post office. She immediately gave the alarm and the thieves fled. The robbers were evidently professionals as a piece of a fuse and a jimmy were found. Information was at once telegraphed to principal points and on Sunday they were arrested at Norfolk.

The Queen Annes County Convention was held on Tuesday. It is said "the old leaders were knocked out of the ring" and a new leader has appeared in John E. George, the nominee for clerk of the court. The ticket is:

Senate—James E. Kirwan of Kent Island district.

House of Delegates — William D. Smith, John T. Norman and E. L. Dudley.

Clerk of the Court—John E. George.

County Treasurer—Albert Story.

County Commissioner (for six years) —J. Louis Rhodes.

Sheriff—James E. Meredith.

Judges of the Orphans' Court—Alfred Tucker, Charles R. Walls and J. B. Bright.

State's Attorney—J. Frank Harper.

Surveyor Harry R. Graham.

Delegates to the State Convention —T. Frank Seward, Jonn C. Hackett, James F. Boyles and George M. Vansant.

SUSSEX COUNTY

Twenty-three cars was the largest strawberry shipment from Bridgeville any one day, and this number surpassed all former shipments.

E. C. Ross' phosphate factory and warehouse at Seaford were destroyed by fire Saturday morning. The flames originated in the grinding room, and spread rapidly. Only the office and acid chamber escaped them. One hundred tons of phosphate were ruined. The loss is estimated at $20,000. The buildings were insured for $12,000. It is not known what caused the fire.

A Bridgeville letter says: The drouth is doing great damage to the growing crops. This week marks the beginning of raspberries and blackberries, and, unless it rains soon, there will not be nearly a crop of raspberries, while the blackberries yield will be even less, the vines having been badly damaged last winter. The pea crop will also be very short, and some late varieties will not be gathered. Many farmers will not realize enough from their peas to pay for the seed and phosphate. The yield of potatoes and other vegetables will be small.

Thursday John S. Veasey of Cool Spring was nearly scalded to death by the explosion of the boiler of his threshing machine. He was threshing clover seed on the farm of Dr. Joseph Marsh, near that town, and during the noon hour, to save time, he went out alone to change the position of the thresher on account of the change of wind. While so engaged the boiler burst. Veasey was hurled several feet, amid scalding water and flying fragments of machinery. When picked up by those who heard the explosion and came to the scene he was unconscious. It was found that his skull was crushed in two places and the skin peeled off the exposed parts of the body. At last report he was yet alive, but his condition was very serious.

Charles Wooders, a colored farm hand employed by Mr. C. S. Hatfield, near Greenwood, attended a picnic of colored people near Trinity Saturday night and going to the house of Mr. Zot, a wine maker, asked for wine. Mrs. Zot went to the cellar to draw the wine and while her back was turned Wooders struck her a blow on the back of the head, she turned and he struck her on the forehead, both of which are ugly wounds, after which he choked her leaving her in a very serious condition. Constable Parvis of Bridgeville, went to Mr. Hatfield's, and arrested Wooders Sunday afternoon took him to Zot's. Mrs. Zot identified him and he was taken to jail. There were threats of lynching but cooler council prevailed and the brute was taken to jail. The latest advice says: Mrs. George Zot who was murderously assulted at her home last Saturday night by Charles Wooders, colored, now in Georgetown jail, has been unconscious a greater part of the time, and is not expected to recover.

Ladies Can Wear Shoes

One size smaller after using Allen's Foot Ease, a powder to be shaken into the shoes. It makes tight or new shoes feel easy; gives instant relief to corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Cures swollen feet, blisters and callous spots. Allen's Foot-Ease is a certain cure for ingrowing nails, sweating, hot, aching feet. At all druggists and shoe stores, 25c. Trial package FREE by mail. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

DELAWARE CITY.

Mrs. George C. Bennett, of Harrisburg, Pa., spent Sunday with her mother. Master Ogle Bennett is spending his vacation at his grandmother's.

The Commencement of the public school will be next week.

The steamer Thomas F. Clyde will make her first stop of the season here on Wednesday next.

Mrs. R. C. Manning and daughter, of Trenton, N. J., is visiting her parents near town.

A great many carriages passed through town on Sunday en route for Augustine Pier. It is said Thursday of this week was the opening day there.

Miss Emma Frempt has been visiting her father and sister.

Alfred Newkirk, of Wilmington, will assume the charge of the creamery the first of July.

Mrs. F. T. Eagle, of New Castle, spent Monday with relatives in town.

The sale of Harry C. Clark's farm to the government has been confirmed. Major E. A. Van Andruss of the Fourth Artillery, had the deeds recorded at Wilmington on Monday. In course of time a three battery post and barracks will be established there.

Mrs. George W. Reybold is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Dale Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Pancoast attended a Chinese picnic on Monday, at Brandywine Springs.

The Children's Day service held in the M. E. Church was duly appreciated if a crowded church is any evidence. The decorations of plants and flowers were in keeping with the bright faces of the children. The opening address was made by Berenice Davidson and Harry Saxton. There were several recitations given by Viola Edmenson, Edna Creed, Grace Von-Culin, George Gardiner, Mildred Hyland, Bessie Creed, Lela Wingate, Alice Hickey, Eva Saxton and Bertha Catts. The pastor made an address after the congregation had recited with him "The Shepherd Psalm." The program used was "In the Sunshine" by Emma Pitt and H. W. Porter.

A lecture was given in the M. E. Church Monday evening by John D. C. Hanna, D. D., on "War With Spain and Our New Possessions." An interesting feature of the entertainment was the moving pictures. There were stereoptican views illustrating the lectnre given also a phonograph concert.

The funeral of Emma Lewis took place on Sunday. Interment at Delaware City cemetery, Rev. H. S. Thompson officiating.

Miss Annie Cheairs has returned from Atlantic City somewhat improved in health.

Mrs. Buck and Mrs. Cleaver, of Philadelphia, have been visiting their father, Mr. F. Vanhekle.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pancoast were surprised Monday evening by a party of friends from Salem who were enjoying a moonlight sail.

Mrs. F. Newkirk, of Wilmington, was in town on Thursday.

Joseph R. Pennington died at his home here on Thursday morning. Mr. Pennington had been in ill health for some time but no serious apprehensions were entertained and his death after a few days illness was a great shock to his friends and the town people. The funeral will take place on Saturday. Interment at St. Anne's Middletown.

ODESSA NOTES.

Mr. George L. Townsend, Jr., who has been the guest of the Myers Bros., of Atlantic City, returned Tuesday.

Mrs. John C. Corbit is entertaining her sister, Miss Peterson, of Germantown.

Mr. Will Van Dyke, of Philadelphia, has been visiting his father, Mr. William S. Van Dyke, this week.

Miss McIntire attended the Commencement at Delaware College Wednesday with Miss Ethel Brady, of Middletown.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Aspril, Jr., were the guests of Miss Mary Williams, of Germantown, Sunday.

Mrs. Dudly Van Dyke and son William, of Philadelphia, have been spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. William S. Van Dyke. Mr. Dudley Van Dyke was an over Sunday visitor.

Mr. Lee Sparks, of Philadelphia, has been the guest of his uncle, Mr. Elias N. Moore, this week.

Mrs. Taylor, of Baltimore, Md., is being entertained by Mrs. W. O. Hurst.

Mr. McHenry, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his family.

Master John Hukill, of Middletown, is staying with his aunt, Mrs. L. V. Aspril.

Miss Annie Gibson has returned from a visit to Miss Duer, of Philadelphia.

Mr. George Green who has been fishing at Rehobeth for several months has returned home.

Mr. Edward Carl, his daughter Mrs. Berry, her husband and two daughters came over from Hancocks Bridge, N. J., in the yacht Petrel, and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Green.

Mr. Joe Williams, of Philadelphia, is being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. William S. Van Dyke.

Mr. Joseph West Brown, son of Cashier Joseph G. Brown, was a member of the graduating class at Delaware College this year. He received the degree of B. E. E. and for the last year has been Captain of Co. A. of the Cadet Corps. Those who attended the commencement from Odessa were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Brown, Mrs. Carrie Appleton, Mrs. W. O. Hurst and her friend, Mrs. Taylor; and Misses May and Georgia Enos. The day was a perfect one and both the exercises and the drill were exceedingly enjoyable.

The Ladies Aid of St. Paul's M. E. Church held it regular monthly meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elias N. Moore. There was quite a large attendance and an exceeding pleasant time was enjoyed by all present.

Rev. Mr. Jones, of Townsend, will preach in the M. E. Church Sunday morning and Mr. Charles Gibson on Sunday evening. Rev. W. O. Hurst will fill the pulpit of Nazareth M. E. Church, New Castle, for the Rev. R. I. Watkins, D. D.

Reduced Rates to Richmond, Va., via Pennsylvania Railroad, Account International Convention Baptist Young People's Union.

On account of the International Convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of America, to be held at Richmond, Va., July 13th to 16th, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged to sell excursion tickets from points on its line, to Richmond, at rate of "single fare for the round trip" (tickets via Baltimore and steamboat fifty cents more than single fare).

Tickets will be sold July 11th to 13th, and will be good to return until July 31st, inclusive, except that on deposit of ticket with the Joint Agent at Richmond before July 28th, and the payment of fifty cents, the return limit may be extended to leave Richmond not later than August 15th, 1899.

Stop over at Washington on return trip for ten days, not to exceed final limit of ticket.

For specific rates and conditions apply to Ticket Agents.

Inauguration of Rehoboth Special

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company (Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad) announces that beginning Saturday, July 8, and continuing until Monday, August 28, inclusive, it will run the Rehoboth Special on Saturdays and Mondays, between Wilmington and Rehoboth, as follows:—

Saturdays only.			Mondays only.
4.25 P. M.,	Lv.. Wilmington ..Ar.		10.00 A.M
5.10 "	" ..Middletown.. "		9.20 "
5.27 "	" ....Clayton.... "		8.58 "
5:44 "	" .....Dover..... "		8.40 "
6.12 "	" ...Harrington.. "		8.14 "
6.24 "	" .... Milford.... "		7.59 "
6.44 "	" ..Georgetown.. "		7.39 "
7.05 "	" .....Lewes..... "		7.22 "
7.15 "	Ar...Rehoboth...Lv.		7.10 "

James Tomlinson, a well-known citizen of Frederica, died from an apopletic stroke Saturday last in the 80th year of his age.

The board of trustees of the Wilmington Conference Academy, in annual session at the academy, elected William Saulsbury, of Dover, president; T. E. Martindale, D.D., of Salisbury, vice-president; Joseph Smithers, of Smyrna, secretary, and John S. Collins, of Dover, treasurer.

WANAMAKER'S.

Philadelphia, Monday, June 19, 1899.

Seems funny to invite out-of-town folks to see us in summer. But we do. The store is comfortable, and very beautiful—and probably at no other time of year do we get so many goods at less than their worth.

Manufacturers are in a hurry to get along with work for fall; other importers will sell at a loss any little lots they have. So will we.

That is the track that real bargains run on. Nobody believes that really worth-while things can be sold at a loss all the time. It is the flaws in the trade winds that upset calculations and really seem to favor you.

The camera winked in Paris and opened its eye here—and the picture store (Third floor, Chestnut street) shows photographs of many of the successful art works in this year's Paris Salon. We hurried to show them first in America.

Do Not Confuse Our Men's SERGE SUITS With Others

We will stand good for every Serge Suit we sell, and from the special character of the goods, and marks that are upon each garment, we are able to recognize the children of our own Serge family. Sometimes people bring back articles that they claim have been bought here, under the supposition that we are interested in other stores.

To get our guaranteed clothing there is no other place in Philadelphia to find it except here at Thirteenth and Chestnut to Market.

So far as Serges are concerned, we test them with acids; so far as the tailoring is concerned, it must sustain our hard-earned reputation.

It will please you to know that this summer we have already sold a thousand more Serge Suits than we sold last year, which is certainly one evidence of the popularity and excellence of our goods.

It is pretty safe to follow the people who generally find out in the long run where they are best served in clothing.

Prices start at $7.50 and run to $20 for the suits of Clay serge from England—$25 if silk lined.

Boys' and Youths' Serge Suits are as good as the men's. As much less in price as we can manage to make them.

Summer Suits for Boys

Washable Suits for boys of 3 to 12 years are marked at a special price. They are made of linen crash and Galatea cloth, and come from the best maker of these goods. These suits sell regularly at $2.50, $3 and $3.50. Choose for

two dollars a suit

Some similar suits from our own stock have been reduced to the same price. Rare bargains to come so early in the season.

A lot of Boys' Sailor Suits, of serges and fancy cheviots, are also reduced today. The serge suits are worth $5; the cheviot suits are worth $6; all are now marked at one price—

$3.50 a Suit

Sizes for ages 3 to 10 years.

BOYS' MADRAS BLOUSES—These cool, good-looking and serviceable Blouses are unusually popular this season, and this good fortune will be appreciated by every parent of a boy. Pretty Madras Blouses, thoroughly well made and nicely finished; with narrow turnover shirt collars for the boys of 6 to 14 years, and with sailor collars for the smaller boys of 3 to 8 years. The price—

fifty cents each

Fine Bargains in Dress Goods

Really handsome all-silk Black Grenadines at 75c instead of $1.50 a yard. There are maker's imperfections which one can scarcely find—and which surely won't hurt the wear. Stripes—single, double, cluster, bayadere—of feathery velvet.

10c Cotton Crash at 6c

Looks like linen but is all cotton. Great for wear and safe to launder. For dresses.

50c Silk Muslin at 25c

Finer, gauzier than Organdie—with a fine sheen from its half-silk composition. Colors and white; some plain grounds, others dotted or striped or figured.

Women's Dresses and Skirts

A whole linen suit—Eton jacket and stylishly-cut tailored skirt—$5. It saves a lot of worry to step into summer clothes ready made.

Some for $6.50. These have fly-front jacket.

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March 31st, 1899.

Upon the application of David H. Knotts and Robert P. Moore, Administrators of William H. Hickey, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Administrators aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters of Administration upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register aforesaid at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

{SEAL}

CALVIN W. CROSSAN, Register.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the Thirty-first day of March, A. D. 1899, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the said Administrators, on or before the Thirty-first day of March, 1900, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

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Thursday,	15, 12½ p m	Friday, 16,	11 a m
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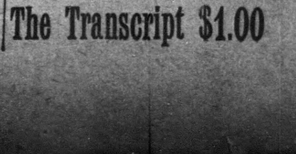
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THE CHURCHES IN MIDDLETOWN.

Bethesda M. E. Church.—Rev. Isaac L. Wood, Pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 10.30 a. m., and 7.30 p. m. Sabbath School every Sabbath at 2 p. m., A. G. Cox, Superintendent. Prayer meeting, every Thursday evening, 7.30 o'clock. Junior Epworth League and Epworth Cadets every Friday night at 7 o'clock. Young Ladies' Mission Circle, Monday nights at Parsonage. Women's Foreign Missionary Society, first Friday night of each month. Women's Home Missionary Society, first Thursday night of each month. Mite Society, first Saturday night of each month. Official Board meeting first Friday afternoon of each month at 2.30 o'clock.

Forest Presbyterian Church.—Rev. F. H. Moore, Pastor. Services held every Sabbath morning at 10.30 o'clock, and every Sabbath evening at 7.30. Sabbath School will be held every Sabbath morning at 9.15 o'clock, H. C. Ellison, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. Young People's Society Christian Endeavor meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Junior Society Christian Endeavor every Sunday after noon at 3 o'clock.

Services at Armstrong's Chapel the first Sabbath of each month at 3 p. m.

St. Anne's Protestant Episcopal Church.—Rev. Wm. J. Wilkie, Rector. Holy Communion on the first Sunday in the month at 10.30 a. m. On all other Sundays at 7.30 a. m. Divine services every Sunday at 10.30 a. m., and 7.45 p. m. Morning Prayer and Litany every Wednesday and Friday at 10 a. m. Evening Prayer on Friday at 3.30 p. m. On all Holy Days service at 10 a. m., and 3.30 p. m. Sunday School at 9.45 a. m. Adult Bible Class at 7.45 p. m. The Guild meets every Thursday at 2 p. m., the Ladies on the first and third Fridays of each month at 2 p. m., the Boys' Club on Friday evenings at 7.30 and the Junior Auxiliary on Saturdays at 3 p. m.

Local News.

—DR. W. E. BARNARD, SURGEON DENTIST, Office South-east corner of Main and Scott street.

—BICYCLE FOR SALE.—A lady's first-class wheel at one-third cost.
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—The sermon by Rev. E. C. Atkins, of Centreville, Md., in Bethesda M. E. Church on Sunday morning last was well received.

—Don't forget the entertaining and instructive Bethesda Epworth League. Meetings every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock.

—The government has purchased 132 acres of land near Delaware City and a permanent artillery post is to be located there.

—St. John's College, Annapolis, has conferred the degree of D. D., on the Rev. R. Irving Watkins, of the M. E. Church at New Castle.

—The latest thing in butter making is the Wheeler Gravity Cream Separator. Price from $4 to $11.00. For sale by
J. F. MCWHORTER & SON.

—If you are going out of town for an outing leave your address at The Transcript office and the paper will follow you. It is the only way to keep posted on town affairs.

—Do you like ice cream? Do you make your own ice cream? If not, the TRANSCRIPT is advertising a book of instructions given away under certain conditions. See ad. in another column.

—"I will tell you what to hate. Hate hypocrisy, hate cant, hate indolence, oppression, injustice; hate Phariseeism; hate them as Christ hated them, with a deep, living, God-like hatred.,'

—AGENTS WANTED:— To take orders for my specialties in Roses, Shrubs, Fruit and Ornamental Stock. I have a few specialties that sell at sight. Write for terms. C. L. Yates, Rochester, N. Y.

—Mr. C. F. Crockett has built a new pavilion at Chesapeake City, music every afternoon and Tuesday and Friday evenings. Ericsson steamers run daily excursions. Best of order. Public invited.

—James H. Smith gave a party to his adopted daughter on Friday night of last week at his home east of town. About thirty-five young people from town were in attendance and a pleasant time was spent.

—Last Saturday Governor Tunnell appointed Frank E. Maloney State Collector of Oyster Revenues to succeed the late Jacob G. Lewis. Mr. Maloney was the former proprietor of the hotel at Bowers' Beach.

—At a meeting of the Town Fathers Saturday evening 'Squire W. R. Reynolds was elected collector of town taxes by the votes of Messrs. Allen, Cochran and Rowe much to the surprise of those who expected Mr. Naudain to be re-elected.

—Rev. W. F. Corkran, D. D., presiding elder of Easton District, will fill the pulpit in the M. E. Church to-morrow evening. The quarterly conference will be held at 9 o'clock, Monday morning. Love feast will be held to-morrow morning at 9.30.

—Burglars visited Middletown's post office on Friday night of last week and stole about $4.50 in stamps and six cents from a letter. Entrance was effected by breaking a transom over a rear door. Postmaster Jolls thinks it the work of some one in Middletown.

—Adjutant-General Garrett J. Hart acting under instructions from Gov. Tunnell, has granted permission to the First Regiment, Pennsylvania Division, United Boys' Brigade, to encamp, fully armed and equipped at Brandywine Springs, from July 1st to 8th, inclusive.

—The Delaware Avenue Baptist Church says of its call to Rev. F. Burgette Short: "But for the unsolicited initiative of Mr. Short and his aforesaid representations, no action concerning him would have been taken by this church." Thus another preacher-politician seeking notoriety "gets it in the neck."

—Sunday last was the opening of Augustine Park for the summer and a trial excursion was run from Philadelphia by the steamer Twilight. Quite a number from Middletown spent the day at this resort. The season has also opened at Woodland Beach and a steamer is making regular trips between that place and Philadelphia.

—Postmasters are directed to open all letters upon which postage has not been paid, to ascertain the name of the writer. To avoid this no one should fail to have their name and address printed on one corner of all envelopes used for mailing letters. This office affords everyone an opportunity to have this done at a very trifling expense.

—Wilmington was the centre of a severe electrical storm from 8 to 11 o'clock Tuesday evening, accompanied by high winds and heavy rain. The storm was heaviest in a radius of 15 miles north and south of the city. Only the edges reached Middletown. Three fine coach horses were killed by lightning on the Levi C. Bird farm near Fort Delaware, the coachman and his helper being stunned. The wheat field of Charles Megginson near New Castle was laid low and in some places looked as if it had been rolled by a heavy roller. A veritable cyclone passed through the property of Mr. Carter near the New Castle trolley road and the apple trees were twisted off as if they were but reeds, while several were uprooted. The adjoining residence suffered much in the same manner. This is occupied by a Mr. Burris and the trees were torn out by the roots. Barns were blown down and much damage done.

—Ice Cream Soda 5c. a glass at Jones.

—Mr. W. J. Wilson is greatly improving his residence at corner of Broad and Green streets by a new porch railing.

—Among the many improvements Capt. Samuel Pennington is having painted his property N. W. corner Broad and Main streets.

—Mr. Charles Derrickson has purchased the Wesley Clayton farm of 289 acres between Town Point and Cayot Corner, Cecil county. The consideration is said to be $7,250.

—On the first page of this issue is an interesting article on the Smyrna steamboat war. The farmers seem determined to establish another line to replace the Steamer Brady.

—President of the State Senate, Charles H. Salmon, is thinking strongly of becoming a candidate for Governor. * * * * Somebody has brought out the name of James T. Shallcross for Governor. Gentlemen let us have peace.—Wilmington Sun.

—Nearly a score of skilled workmen from out of town are employed in Middletown to-day. They say the demand for supplies and material was never greater, many orders taking weeks to get filled so hard pressed are the factories. This looks like prosperity.

—John H. Dutton, colored, son of Henry Dutton a well known horse trainer, who formerly lived here but who has had charge of J. Edward Addicks' stables at Claymont for the past year, became violently insane last Monday. The young man tried to kill his father and demolished considerable property. He is now confined in Farnhurst Asylum.

—On some farms this week the improved reapers have been running in the harvest fields almost day and night. Mr. R. R. Cochran has cut 140 acres with one machine. Mr. Alex. Maxwell has used two machines cutting 160 acres. Mr. G. B. W. Rhodes believes his yield on the Cavender farm will be as good as it was two years ago when he got 32 bushels of wheat to the acre.

—The board of examiners of the Wilmington M. E. Conference has notified all ministers of this Peninsula of the first, second, third and fourth years' studies to report at Dover on June 27 and 28, to undergo their semi-annual examination in the study hall of the Wilmington Conference Academy. Between thirty and forty ministers are expected to present themselves for examination.

—Reynolds & Copp of Middletown, have the contract to furnish the new carpet for the Forest Presbyterian Church. Furnishing carpets direct from the Manufacturers, they can compete with any firms in the United States. About five hundred yards of carpet will be required to cover the church, lecture room and class rooms. Heavy cocoa matting will be used in furnishing the entrance and stairs.

—On Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. William R. Reynolds entertained a number of their gentlemen friends and after a pleasant evening refreshments were served. A bottle of 36-year-old currant wine made by Mr. Reynolds's mother when he was a babe to be opened on his wedding day, was broken. Those present were Dr. T. H. Gilpin E. R. Cochran, Sr., W. A. Comegys, John S. Crouch, C. R. Clayton, A. N. Brown and George G. Rowe.

—To-day, June 24th, is the day fixed by law for the annual school election. The State appropriations under recent school legislation have been so cut down that very many districts have been hampered for necessary funds. The sum coming from the State is now a fixture and cannot be larger next year. It will, therefore, be necessary for the various schools to provide means to keep their schools open the full year by raising a tax in the districts.

—The salaries of the Delaware postmasters that have been increased for the year commencing July 1st, are as follows: Delaware City from $1,300 to $1,500; Laurel, from $1,200 to $1,300; Lewes, from $1,200 to $1,400; Middletown, from $1,500 to $1,600; Milford, from $1,500 to $1,600; Newark, from $1,500 to $1,600; Seaford, from $1,500 to $1,600. Ex-Postmaster Moore earned this increase at the Middletown office last summer while the soldier boys were at Camp Tunnell. One sows another reaps.

—Major Raymond has reported the improvement to the Delaware Breakwater finished and gives a lengthy report. The first work on the Breakwater was begun in 1826 and since that time many improvements have been made including the closing of a large gap between the two parts. The total cost is $615.036.02. The harbor had been gradually getting more shallow, but now, owing to the strong tide which runs inside the Breakwater, there is hopes of its once more having sufficient depth for larger craft.

—The daily papers of Wilmington score the management of the Wawaset Driving Association for the gambling devices allowed at the races on Wednesday and Thursday. A Bridgeton, N. J., horse won the 2.30 race, purse $200, on Thursday in straight heats, time 2.26. In the 2.20 class, $200 purse, "Cassie Fletcher" of Wilmington won straight, time 2.20. J. H. Manlove's "Daisy B." of this town was second. L. C. Scott's "George Frazier" trotted in this race. In tne 2.35 class on Wednesday Mr. Manlove's "Charley D" took second money.

—On Sunday morning last Benjamin B. Blanchfield petitioned Squire Reynolds to issue a warrent for the arrest of his brother, John Blanchfield on a charge of eloping with his wife. He was informed that only a charge of disorderly conduct could be brought, and what could be done would be done. The elopers were traced from Mr. Blanchfield's home, near Vandyke station, to Odessa where they engaged a sailboat, presumably to go to New Jersey, but the tracers were too late to cause an arrest. Mr. Blanchfield had been married about two years.

—This has been wheat harvest week and a more favorable season of good weather was never known for harvest. Farmers generally believe the yield will be fair though the straw is light. Over sixty self binders have been sold during the season by Middletown dealers. The Deering led followed in order by the McCormick, the Buckeye, the Osborne. These machines cut 15, 20 and some claim 25 acres a day. Hay harvest has been on during the week also. But now the anxious cry is for rain! rain! Not for weeks have some sections had a good rain and the earth is very dry.

—Middletown has had several citizens very ill during the past week or longer. They were all reported as improving yesterday. Mr. Joseph L. Parsons gathers strength slowly Mrs. William Brockson's friends feel much encouraged by her more favorable symptoms. Her physician, Dr. B. B. Ferguson, has been most attentive, and her sister, Mrs. Kerns, is a constant attendant. No more faithful husband was every known than Mr. Brockson, and Mrs. Brockson herself is a brave battler with disease. Little Gladys Bragdon, the interesting daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bragdon, has been one of the ill ones but she was much improved yesterday and has youth and hopefulness to her aid. She is at present a sufferer from nervousness. Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Francis, of Lake street and Cecil McCleary are also all very sick.

—Jones has opened his Fourth of July fire works—finer and better than last year. Gee Whiz!!

—If you are going to marry, you need a nicely gotten-up invitation. Call at the TRANSCRIPT and get our prices and see samples.

—George Seeney, colored, was arrested in Wilmington Monday evening for an attack upon Frances and Annie Conroy, sisters, aged respectively 18 and 16. They were returning from their work at Ford's Morocco Factory and as usual with them had taken a short cut across lots for home. Seeney came from a clump of bushes and seized Frances while her sister catching up a good club began pounding him over the head. So earnest were their blows that the fiend turned and ran leaving behind his hat and a shirt sleeve by which he was identified in less than two hours. This is another warning to women to be careful not to unnecessarily put themselves in danger, and it is a warning that should be sounded far and near to the brutes in human form that punishment of the most severe penalty will follow all such acts.

Unclaimed Letters.

A list of unclaimed letters remaining in the Middletown post office which can be had by saying they are advertised: Miss Jane Carter, Miss Airaminta Hayes, Mrs. Rosa Hynson, Mrs. Mammie Johnson, Clara Lambert, Harmon Alston, Harry Liddy Jones, Rev. Thomas Scott, Samuel Sylvester, (postal card), James T. Wilson.

Campmeeting Calendar

The following are the dates of some of the largest camps on this Peninsula:

Sand Hill—July 21.
Wye—July 28, Aug.8.
Local Preachers—July 28.
Camden—July 26.
Hebron—July 29.
Woodlawn—Aug.1.
Brandywine Summit—Aug.3.
Concord—Aug.4.
Chiltons—Aug.4.
Mt. Vernon—Aug.4.
Zoar—Aug.11.
Smith's Island—Aug. 12.
Laurel—Aug.17.
Ocean Grove—Aug.19.

By Height, Not By Age

Nearly every one knows that the rule on railroad trains and other public conveyances which provides for the carrying free of children under three years old, and of charging half fares for those between the ages of three and twelve years, often results in statements from the parents which are trying to a normal conscience. In parts of Europe, says a contemporary, they have a way of fixing this matter so that no one has cause to quarrel about it. Instead of going by a child's age as to what rate of fare it shall pay, they go by size. The collector is provided with a five-foot rule, and he rates the children by this. Any child under twenty-four in height travels free, while those who measure between twenty-four inches and fifty-one inches pay half fare. All who measure more than four feet three inches pay full fare.

The First Anniversary

It is just a year since the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road inaugurated its celebrated Pioneer Limited passenger train service between Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Minneapolis. This service marked a new era in the railway world in the line of passenger accommodations. At a cost of a quarter of a million dollars that progressive company furnished the traveling public, in its Pioneer Limited train, comforts and facilities the best ever produced. This train has been described many times in newspapers and magazines, but should be seen and examined to be appreciated. In beauty of finish, richness and elegance of furnishing nothing equal to it has ever been attempted by any other road. The car builders were nearly a year in completing the Pioneer Limited trains (there are two —one leaving Chicago for the West and the other leaving the Twin Cities for the East every evening in the year) and they stand to-day a monument to the builder's art. No regular passenger train service in America is as well known as the Pioneer Limited. From the standpoint of passenger traffic the past twelve months have been the most successful in the history of the St. Paul road, made so very largely by the Pioneer Limited. The patronage of this service is a striking illustration of the fact that the public appreciates a good thing.

KENT COUNTY.

Dover will be lighted by electricity in the near future, instead of gas lamps, light will be furnished by forty-five arc lamps. Machinery of the new plant will be furnished by the Westinghouse company.

Thomas Hanson Howell of Howell's Mills, near Camden, and Miss Kathryn Gertrude Miller of Elkton were married Wednesday at the residence of the bride's mother, the Rev. William Schouler officiating.

The Levy Court of Kent county has called in all its bonded indebtedness bearing an interest of more than four per cent. amounting to $18,000, and will refund it at that rate or less. The entire bonded debt aggregates about $60,000.

A. S. Griffith, principal of the Camden public school, and Miss Evelyn C. Clark, assistant principal, were married Wednesday morning at the residence of the bride's mother in Camden by the groom's father, the Rev. Mr. Griffith of Baltimore.

Dr. Nathan Pratt died at his home in Milford on Sunday last from the effects of paralysis. He had been an invalid for about eighteen months. Dr. Pratt was born at Hazlettville, Kent county, September 9, 1834. He was a graduate from the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania and began practicing at Milford in 1860. During the civil war he was assistant surgeon in the United States Hospital in Philadelphia, Dr. Pratt was a democrat in politics and from 1875 to 1879 he was State Auditor, after which he served as insurance commissioner not being the first to hold that office as all the State papers have stated. He was a Democratic Presidential elector in 1894 and in 1896 was a member of the Constitutional Convention. His last public office was that of Agricultural agent for the government for Delaware and was appointed by ex-President Cleveland. In church affairs he was an Episcopalian, and had been a vestryman over twenty-five years. Dr. Pratt was married on November 7, 1861, to Miss Mary, daughter of William and Margaret Hill, who survives him. The children are Margaret the wife of Albert C. Arnold of Cambridge, Md.; Dr. John Lynn, William Burton and Louis Lockwood Pratt of Milford. Funeral services were held at his late home on Wednesday, Rev. J. L. McKeen officiating. Interment was made in the Episcopal Cemetery:

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COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

The commencement exercises of the Middletown Academy and High School began on Sunday last by the preaching of the baccalaureate sermon to the graduates in Bethesda M. E. Church by Rev. F. H. Moore, D. D., pastor of Forest Presbyterian Church. The church was very prettily decorated with potted flowers, and the music rendered by a chorus of school girls was very nice indeed. The church was filled to over-flowing when the teachers, board of education and graduates entered and took the seats which had been reserved for them. Dr. Moore took as his text Proverbs XXIX; 18, and the first clause, "Where there is no vision, the people perish." The sermon was full of instruction both moral and religious, and was well received. The services closed by singing "America" and benediction by the officiating minister.

ClassDay exercises were held in theTown Hall on Monday evening and were largely attended. Special seats had been reserved for friends of the graduates and of the school, as well as for those who were to take a part in the exercises. The order maintained in the hall during the rendition of the program is unexcusable, as boys, both large and small, annoyed the audience by noise and throwing nuts and chewing gum. An orchestra of seven pieces under the leadership of Mr. George Price rendered some fine music. The stage was prettily decorated with flowers and United States flags, chairs having been arranged for the graduates, the speaker of the evening, the clergymen, members of the board, the teachers and a chorus of girls, who furnished vocal music.

The exercises opened by a selection by the orchestra, followed by singing of the Commencement song, by the pupils and a scripture reading and invocation by Rev. W. J. Wilkie. After more singing Prof. Grimm introduced the salutatorian, Miss Edith D. Wilson, who read an essay "Keep Your Honor Bright." After discoursing at some length she said honor was not always found in the rich and lofty, but was often found in the poorest workingman. There are very few persons today who at some time or other have not felt the pangs of a guilty conscience. What a glorious country this would be if every man could be honest with himself? This was appropriately followed by the song "We'll always do the right," by the chorus.

George I. Lockwood's paper on "Is America Civilized?" brought out some very strong points, but which were not sufficiently carried out, his decision finally was that America was not thoroughly civilized in the highest sense of the word.

Miss Helen Rowe sang a very nice solo, "My Bonny Bird" in which the chorus was given by the entire choir, and was followed by the valedictory essay "Was America Justified in declaring war against Spain," by Bright Cleaver. He said America had suffered numerous indignities at the hands of Spain for a century which was culminated by the massacres of our citizens in Cuba and Porto Rico and the destruction of the battleship Maine when on an errand of peace. In view of all these incidents we were justified in declaring war.

Just here it would be pertinent to say that the essays were all of an excellent character, but the rendition was poor and persons in the back of the hall could not hear them.

"Aunt Tabitha," was a humorous recitation given by Miss Gertrude M. McCrone and was received with much applause, followed by music by the orchestra and a solo "The Selfish Blue Bird" by Miss Edith Mabrey, and chorus.

Mr. George D. Kelley, President of the Board of Education, in presenting the diplomas, congratulated Prof. Grimm and his corps of assistants on the close of a successful school year and stated that another such could be expected as the same corps of instructors had been re-elected:

The crowning piece of vocal music was a solo by Miss Grace Parvis, of "My Honolulu Lady," with Miss Mabel Parvis as accompanist. Miss Parvis is too well known to the people of this town to necessitate any comment on the rendition of the selection.

The speaker of the evening Robert H. Richards, Esq., of Wilmington, was introduded by Mr. Kelley, and was greeted with a storm of applause. Mr. Richards' speech showed preparation and was a practical one. He said education was a part of individual growth and as such is a process of individual developement. In a time like this some thought should be indelibly fixed on the mind. In contact with the world of business it would be well to remember that the whole system from the time of Zoroaster to the present could be summed up in the word "exchange," and men should give and ask fair exchange. Another thought impressed was that of being ready for and the grasping of opportunities. There is always a time for individual effort and man's proper duty lies in seeing the opportunity and making himself to fill it.

The graduates were the recipients of a number of handsome presents from relatives and friends, but none caused so much amusement as that of a hay rake, which was presented to George I. Lockwood, after Mr. Richards had concluded speaking.

The exercises closed with the benediction by Rev. F. H. Moore, D. D.

DOVER STATE FAIR

The following are the races announced for the State Fair this fall at Dover:

First Day, Tuesday, September 5th.—Kent County horses, without record, trot or pace, purse $50; 2.40 trot and pace, purse $200; one mile bicycle race for Kent County, prize $25.

Second Day, Wednesday, September 6th.—3-Minute Peninsula, trot and pace, purse $100; 2.30 trot, purse $200; 2.25 pace, purse $200:

Third Day, Thursday, September 7th.—2.45 Peninsula, trot and pace, purse $100; 2.20 trot, purse $300; 2.17 pace, purse $300; exhibition bicycle race for State record.

Fourth Day, Friday, September 8th.—2.25 trot and 2.30 pace, purse $200; novelty race, trot or pace, nearest 3 minutes, purse $75; running race, Delaware horses, purse $75.

Chancellor Nicholson has been asked for an injunction restraining the recently consolidated Board of Education of Milford from purchasing property, erecting a school house, issuing bonds.

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PERSONALITIES

Little Lines About Men and Women and What They Are Doing.

Mr. and Mrs Charles Wesley Weldin, of Wilmington, have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter Blanche, to the Rev. William Frederick Lewis, pastor of Rodney Street Presbyterian Church, Wilmington on Thursday evening, June 29th, in Grace Methodist Episcopal Church. The groom-elect is well known in Middletown.

Messrs. J. Frank McWhorter and J. Fletcher Deakyne are in Buffalo, N. Y., this week attending the Supreme Conclave of Heptasophs. The latter represents the Odessa Conclave and the former Welcome Conclave of this town. They will visit Niagara Falls and other places of interest before their return.

Mrs. Samuel Fennimore and daughter, Miss Mary, of Woodbury, N. J., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. William R. Reynolds, the bride and groom, who returned home on Saturday last.

Miss Helen Y. Slaughter, of Dover, who has been the guest of Miss Elizabeth C. Parker for the past fortnight, has returned home.

Mrs. Eliza Green, Mrs. Clara Green, the Misses Lucy Cochran, Ethel Brady Eliza Green and Miss McIntyre attended the Commencement at Delaware College on Wednesday.

Mrs. Hugh C. Browne and son, Hugh C., Jr., of Wilmington, have returned to the city after a week's visit with her mother, Mrs. Henrietta Parvis, and family. Mr. Brown was in town on Tuesday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Horace Vaughan and daughter are visiting the doctor's mother and sister, Mrs. and Miss Vaughan, in Milton on the classic banks of the Broadkiln.

Mrs. Martin B. Burris and mother, Mrs. Wright, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Arthurs at Kenton.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Metten are entertaining Mrs. Edward Farrell and little folks of Philadelphia.

Miss Adda Foard is visiting friends in the surburbs of Wilmington.

Miss Martha Heaton returned on Thursday from a visit with friends in Cambridge, Md.

Dr. E. C. Gibbs, of Baltimore, is the guest of his mother and relatives at the old homestead on the Levels. Mrs. Gibbs has been quite ill.

Mrs. M. N. Willits is entertaining her sister, Miss Cora Ridgway, of the Quaker City.

Miss Mary Appleton, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. Jacob H. Emerson, and other relatives.

Mr. G. W. Covington, of Still Pond, Md., was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. J. C. Alston, from Saturday to Monday.

Miss Josephine Biggs entertained Miss Kate Sellers, of Philadelphia, the first of the week.

Mrs. J. W. Barnett and Master Taylor Barnett are visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Jones at Havre de Grace.

Mrs. George R. Morris, of Wilmington, spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. William B. Kates, on East Main street.

Mrs. John P. Cochran, Sr., is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Tumlin, of Philadelphia.

Mrs. W. F. Kennedy attended her class reunion in the Monumental City the first of the week.

Mrs. Hannah Appleton is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Hurn on Cass street.

Mr. Edwin Prettyman, of Smyrna, was in town yesterday when many friends made inquiry for the son, three weeks old, and extended congratulations.

Miss Lily M. Scott is listening to old ocean's waves at Atlantic City.

Mrs. Joseph Vincent is attending the wedding of her sister in Coatesville, Pa.

Mr. Fred A. Crouch, of Atlantic City, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Crouch.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Evans entertained the first of the week Mr. W. B. McClelland of the U. S. Navy. Mr. McClelland brought Mr. Evans a memento from one of the two 6-inch rifles saved from the Maine which lies in Santiago harbor. It is a rivet which can be worn on the watch guard.

Mr. William Metten was a Sunday visitor with his parents in Fieldsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Lewis gave a birthday party to their oldest daughter, Miss Prudence, on her fourteenth anniversary on Saturday, which was enjoyed by the young people present.

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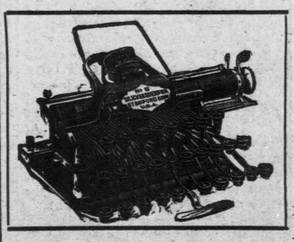

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[I was very assiduous in recording his conversation.—Boswell.]

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When he, with utterance loud and slow,
Some truth would teach, some moral show!
His weighty words—a ponderous train—
Exploring freely thought's domain
With vigorous wit and wisdom plain,
And none would dare to question low
What Johnson said.

But "Goldy," of distinction vain,
Might interrupt in random strain,
While "Bozzy" listened all aglow,
Resolved his journal soon should know,
To all mankind's enduring gain,
What Johnson said.

—Dora Cave in Gentleman's Magazine.

HE ONLY LOOKED ON.

The Man Who Went to Boss the Hoisting of a Piano.

"It seems to me they don't do anything now in the same way they did a long time ago," said a man who had gone up to his house to boss the job. "I bought an upright piano, and when I had paid for it I told the agent I would be at the house at a stated hour, as I wished to be present when the piano was hoisted. I noticed the agent smile, but he said nothing. I thought no more of it until after I had gone home and noticed the way in which the piano was moved into my apartment on the fourth floor. When the men drove up with their cart, I asked them where the hoisting machine was. One of them whistled, and the other one said it would be there all right, and he winked at the fellow with the puckered mouth.

"Then they opened a kit of tools and began taking that piano to pieces. They first removed the action, and one of the men asked where he would take it, meaning what floor. While he was gone another man unscrewed the legs which supported the keyboard. The third man carried up the legs, and while he was gone the first man returned and took up the keyboard which the man with the screwdriver had taken off. That left the back and sides of the case and the sounding board. They were not taken apart. A fourth man was picked up and given the job of assisting the three in carrying up what remained of the piano. All this was done in about 10 minutes. I had nothing to do except to look on. As the team moved away one of the men called back, 'We'll send that hoisting machine up later.' Twenty years ago my piano was delivered by safe movers. They took half a day to do it."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Liszt's Agony of Sensitiveness.

"Liszt had already played a great fantasia of his own and Beethoven's twenty-seventh sonata in the former part of the concert. After this latter piece he gasped with emotion as I took his hand and thanked him for the divine energy he had shed forth. At last I had managed to pierce the crowd and I sat in the orchestra. My chair was on the same board as Liszt's piano when the final piece began. It was a duet for two instruments, beginning with Mendelssohn's 'Chants Sans Paroles' and proceeding to a work of Liszt's. We had already passed the delicious chime of the 'Song Written In a Gondola.'

"As the closing strains began I saw Liszt's countenance assume that agony of expression, mingled with radiant smiles of joy, which I never saw on any other human face; only in the paintings of our Saviour by some of the early masters. His hands rushed over the keys, the floor on which I sat shook like a wire, and the whole audience was wrapped in sound, when the hand and frame of the artist gave way; he fainted in the arms of the friend who was turning over for him, and we bore him out in a strong fit of hysterics.

"The effect of this scene was really dreadful. The whole room sat breathless with fear, until Hiller came forward and announced that Liszt was already restored to consciousness and was comparatively well again. As I handed Mme. de Cicourt to her carriage we both trembled like poplar leaves, and I tremble scarcely less as I write."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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Would Be Cheaper.

"I have a proposition to make to you," said the regular patron as he took the restaurant proprietor off to one side.

"Well!" said the restaurant man.

"I have been coming here for some time, and I have discovered that a tip is necessary if one is to get good service."

"That's the case nearly everywhere."

"Well, what I want to suggest is that I'll pay the salary of my waiter if you will put up the tips. You really ought to be willing to take the more expensive end of the bargain, don't you think?"—Chicago Post.

An odd contrivance is used in China to protect the carrier pigeons from the attacks of birds of prey. Tiny bamboo tubes are fastened under their wings, and as they fly the air passing swiftly through the tubes makes a shrill whistle, which serves to frighten off the other birds.

In the polar regions the sea contains less salt than near the equator.

Not Raised In Florida.

Among the interior decorations of a restaurant not many squares from city hall are a number of artificial palms. The palms are as natural in appearance as if they had been grown instead of manufactured and probably not one person in a dozen among the restaurant's patrons is aware of their artificial character.

An afternoon or two ago an elderly couple, evidently from the rural districts, came into the restaurant and took a seat. They gave their order and then began to look around.

"That's a handsome palm, Henry!" exclaimed the woman, pointing to the largest specimen. "I wonder if it grew that big in here?"

"Of course it didn't," replied the man, with a look of superior wisdom. "It was raised down in Floridy. That's where they all grow, and then they are shipped up here."

Just then one of the restaurant's attaches approached the palm with a dampcloth in his hand. Taking hold of one of the leaves he yanked it from the stem and began to rub it vigorously with the cloth. When he had cleaned the leaf to his satisfaction, he replaced it and pulled another. By this time "Henry's" face was a study, as was also that of his companion.

"I guess that plant didn't grow in Floridy, after all," the woman managed to whisper. "What do you guess, Henry?"

And "Henry" allowed that he guessed the same thing.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Joke on the Major.

The major, just returned from Boston, tells in strict confidence this story:

"I had engaged my berth and was standing on the rear platform five minutes before the train pulled out of the Park square depot, when a middle aged woman and a handsome girl, both ladies, passed me and entered the car, accompanied by a gentlemanly looking chap who carried their baggage. A moment later this fellow rushed up to me and said he was in a most embarrassing position, had his sister and mother aboard and had lost his mileage book. He would introduce me to them and give me any security for $25. I said I needed neither introduction nor security, but would give him $10—all I had to spare. He insisted on giving me his diamond scarfpin, and then rushed into the station to see if he could get more cash. As the train pulled out without him he came running wildly after it, but had to give it up.

"Then the porter approached me tentatively. 'Was that man annoying you?' he said. I told him no. 'He insisted on carrying the baggage of two ladies inside, sah, an—an—did he get any money out of you?'

"'Of course he didn't,' said I, but I took the first opportunity of examining that pin. It was worth about five cents."—Buffalo News.

Too Honest to Ever Grow Rich.

Emerson keeps a grocery store on Grand avenue, opposite the limekilns, west of Western avenue. As all his customers are either Greeks or Italians, he keeps a stock on hand somewhat different from other grocers.

One day a drummer strayed into the store. Emerson was waiting on an Italian woman, while her 4-year-old son was stealing sugar out of a barrel.

Eggs were 18 cents a dozen. The woman wanted only one egg. The solitary prospective chicken was wrapped up.

"Two cents, please," said Emerson. She paid and received a small slip of yellow paper.

"What was that slip you gave her?" asked the drummer, after she left.

"H'm, you see, eggs are 18 cents a dozen. That makes 1½ cents for each egg. The woman would not pay a half cent too much, and, as I did not want to sell the egg for 1 cent, she paid 2 cents and I gave her the slip good for one-half cent. Thus she will get the next egg for 1 cent if she brings the slip."—Chicago Journal.

Has Any One Seen Her?

Supposing your wife should run off with a handsomer man and you were called upon to give her description to the police—do you think you could do it any better than was done by a Coffeyville man who communicated as follows with the officers at Wichita:

My wife left here last night at 10:30 on the Missouri Pacific railroad, and she wore a white straw hat and a black dress, but she has got a lot of other dresses with her. They are green, plush, striped and two silk waists, one is red and the other is pink. She is with a fellow named A. M. W., a traveling man for some binder company, and if you find them I wish you would hold them and put them both under arrest and wire me at once and I will come on first train. Do all you can and you will be paid for it. I am yours, E. S.

P. S.—Excuse poor writing. She is a small-like woman, weighing about 120 pounds and a fair looker.

—Kansas City Journal.

Helping a Tartar.

A singular custom prevails among the Tartars or Kurds. If a man gets into difficulties—i. e., loses his cattle or other movable property—he pours a little brown sugar into a piece of colored cloth, ties it up and carries one such parcel to each of his friends and acquaintances. In return he is presented, according to circumstances, with a cow, or sheep, or a sum of money. He is thus at once set on his legs again.

An Unsuccessful Operation.

"You told me you expected to perform an operation for appendicitis on old Beasley. How did you come out?"

"Badly."

"Is Beasley dead?"

"No. As soon as I suggested the operation he sent for another doctor."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The British income tax was first imposed by Sir Robert Peel in 1841, when it was fixed at fivepence in the pound.

Four thousand pounds of dates have been gathered from a single palm.

TO FIRST VOTERS.

There is a constitutional provision which will become operative before the next general election is held, of which the general public may not be aware, although it has been published in connection with the Constitutional Convention. It is an educational test. It is "that no person who becomes of age or who is naturalized after January 1st, 1900, shall be permitted to vote who shall not be able to read the Constitution in English, and be capable of writing his name."

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His Handy Valise.

An old friend of the late ex-Governor Oglesby tells a reminiscence of a valise. He was traveling through the state and met the governor on the train.

When they were seated, the governor drew out a valise that had a peculiar and handy way of being opened from the top. It was made of strong leather and had tags pasted all over it.

"I carried this valise through the Holy Land," said the governor. "I think a great deal of it."

"I suppose it brings up some pleasant memories," suggested the other traveler.

"More than that," was the reply, and the keen eyes of the governor twinkled as he reached down and touched a button and the valise opened immediately, but cautiously, at the top. It opened wide enough to admit a hand and to permit it to withdraw with a black bottle in its clutch.

"This is a great valise. I can get a bottle out of it, and nobody ever sees me."

When the residence of ex-Governor Oglesby burned, all of his private papers of every sort and all of his war trophies were destroyed. A short time after he met this same peripatetic friend.

"It was a great loss you sustained, governor," he said.

"Yes, all my papers are gone. Sorry to lose them, too, and then my swords are gone too. I was sorry to lose them, and I know you'll be grieved to hear it—that valise was burned up. Yes, it's gone. Bob Ingersoll gave me that valise, and I did hate to lose it, it was so handy."—Chicago Tribune.

Clever Enough to Vote.

A keen witted fellow, despite his general ignorance, was brought down to the courthouse to receive the rights of citizenship.

"Name the capital of the nation," said the judge.

The applicant scratched his head.

"I can't just place it, judge," he said, "but you name over a few of the towns and I'll tell you when you strike it."

"Is it Chicago?" queried the judge.

"No."

"Is it St. Louis?"

"No."

"Is it Arizona?"

"No."

"Is it Washington?"

The candidate looked puzzled. He hesitated.

"Say, judge," he slowly replied, "if thet ain't the place it's a close shot!"

He got his papers.

Another candidate was brought in by a well known local politician.

"Let me see what you know about geography," said the judge. "Supposing you and Mr. Blank walked straight down to the lake and started across it, going due north, where would you land?"

"On the bottom," said the candidate promptly.

He got his papers too.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Where Soldiers Must Swim.

In the Dutch army a man must be able to swim as well as to fight. Moreover, if he is in the cavalry he must have a horse which will take a river as easily as a hunter takes a fence.

Swimming maneuvers are part of the regular drill there. Collapsible canvas boats, manned by a few oarsmen, lead the horses, so that they do not attempt to land on stone quays and other difficult points. The men swim across with their horses and on them. They do it in swimming costume and in all the accouterments of war.

There are few nautical emergencies for which the Dutch army is not prepared. Some of the officers have even reached a degree of proficiency that not only their horses and kit cross the river with them, but their pet dogs sit upon their shoulders and are borne over almost without getting wet.—Stray Stories.

Trying It on a Dog.

The sultan of Turkey is most inquisitive as to what is said and written about him abroad. Every day translations are laid before him from the newspapers of the world, and these are all closely perused. His majesty, by the way, is a bad hand at suffering.

At one time he wanted to have an aching tooth removed and dared not. Eight slaves had molars drawn out in his presence that he might have an opportunity of judging the extent of suffering entailed, and finally the sultan decided that he would rather bear the pain than undergo such an ordeal.

Cleaning the Chimney.

An easy way to clean a chimney of soot has been discovered by a Maine man. Instead of going to the top of the chimney and probing with rods, he begins at the bottom. There an opening is made, and he fires upward a revolver charged with a blank cartridge. The concussion, it is said, will clean out the soot. He also claims that the burning of a piece of zinc in a stove will clear the stove and its funnel of soot.

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"It very seldom happens," said Mr. Stormington Barnes, "that we are permitted to adopt the career for which we are ambitious in youth. I always wanted to be a comedian and make people laugh."

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The Sermon Not Long.

"Was my sermon long this morning?" asked a preacher who had been taken to task for running over time, and who had carefully kept within a half hour.

"No, dear doctor," was the reply of the parishioner. "It wasn't long; it only seemed so."—Boston Watchman.

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	PAS. A. M.	EXP. A. M.	PAS. P. M.	MAIL P. M.	MAIL P M	EXP P. M.
Philadelphia	‡7 25	‖10 20	‡1 52	‡3.46	‡5.56	‖11.10
Baltimore	4.10	9.15	12 05	1.46	4:20	7.53
Wilmington	8 13	11.04	2.35	4.27	6:55	11.56
Farnhurst	f 8.22		f 2.44		7.04	
New Castle	8 27	‖11.21	2.49	4.38	7:09	
State Road	f8.33		f 2.54		7:14	
Bear	f8.38		f 2.59	f 4.48	7:19	
Porter	8.45		f 3.04	4.52	7:25	
Kirkwood	8.50		f 3.09		7:30	
Mt. Pleasant	8.59		f 3.17		7:38	
Armstrong	f 9.03		f 3.21		7:42	
Middletown	9.08	11.50	3.26	5.18	7:48	12.39
Townsend	9 17		3.34	5 28	7:56	
Blackbird	f 9.22		f 3.39		f 8:01	
Gr'n Spring	f 9.27		f 3.45		f8:07	
Clayton	9 33	12 07	3.51	5.42	8:13	12.57
Smyrna..LV	9 23	11.57	3.41	5 21	8:08	
Brenford	f9.38		f 3.59		f8:18	
Cheswold	f9.43		f 4.04		f8:24	
Dupont			f 4.07			
Dover	9.58	12.23	4.14	5.59	8:34	1.16
Wyoming	10.05	f12.29	4 20	6.05	8:40	a 1.24
Woodside	f10 11			f 6.17	f8:47	
Viola	f10.15			f 6.15	f8.51	
Felton	10 20	f12.40		6.20	8.56	a 1.38
Harrington	10 34	12.53		6.33	9.07	1.50
Farmington	f10 42	a 1.00		f 6.41	f9.15	
Greenwood	f10.50	f 1 08		f 6.49	f9.23	
Bridgeville	10.58	f 1.16		6.57	9.31	a 2.14
Cannons	f11 03			f 7 02	f9.36	
Seaford	11 13	1.27		7 11	9.46	2.26
Laurel	11 23	f 1.37		7.21	9.56	a 2.38
Delmar	11.33	1.46		7.30	10 05	2.50

NORTHWARD.

	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. P. M.	PAS P. M
Delmar	‖1.08		‡7.00	‡8.00	‡2.15	‡3.30
Laurel	f 1.21		7.11	8.10	2.25	3.41
Seaford	1.34		7.23	8.24	2.35	3.56
Cannons			f 7.31	f 8.31		f 4.04
Bridgeville	f 1.48		7.37	8.37	f 2.46	4.11
Greenwood			f7.45	f 8.45	f 2.54	f 4.19
Farmington			f 7.53	f 8.53		f 4.27
Harrington	2.22		8.05	9 06	3.08	4:40
Felton	f 2.33		8.14	9.16	f 3.18	4:49
Viola			f8.18	f 9.20		f 4:53
Woodside			f8.22	f 9.24		f 4:57
Wyoming	p 2:46	‖6.57	8.29	9.31	f 3.30	5:05
Dover	2.52	7.03	8.35	9.38	3.36	5:11
Dupont		f7.08				
Cheswold		f7.13		f 9.48		f 5:20
Brenford		f7.18		f 9.53		f 5:25
Smyrna..LV		7.15	8.42	9 50	3.41	5:21
Clayton	3.09	7.25	8.53	10.00	3.54	5:31
Gr'n Spring		f7.29				f 5:37
Blackbird		f7.35		f10.09		f 5:43
Townsend		7.40	9 06	10 14	4.07	5:50
Middletown	3.30	7.50	9 15	10.24	4.16	5:58
Armstrong		f7.54				f 6:02
Mt Pleasant		7.58		f10 33		6:06
Kirkwood		8.08		10.42		6:16
Porter		8.15	9 34	10.48	4.34	6:22
Bear		f8.20		f10.53		f 6:27
State Road		f8.25		f10 58		f 6.32
New Castle		8.31	9 46	11.04	f 4.47	6:37
Farnhurst		f8.36	19 50	f11.09		f 6.42
Wilmington	4 15	8.45	9 58	11.19	4.59	6:50
Baltimore	6.22	10.34	12 45	2.05	7.10	8:43
Philadelphia	5.10	9 32	10 46	12.06	5.48	7:42

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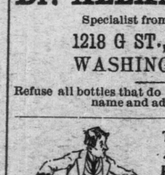

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